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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Akira Murotani, et al.

Application No.: 09/932,240

Filed: August 17, 2001

For: STORAGE CONTROLLER AND  
COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR  
MANAGING INFORMATION  
RELATED TO CONNECTION PORT

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 4825

Examiner: Benjamin A. Ailes

Technology Center/Art Unit: 2142

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 13, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.